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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

EXTENSION OF TIME

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for a 1 month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136.

FEES

The fee for claims and extension of time (37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17) has been calculated as shown below:

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Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action dated January 29, 2004, Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks. The amendment places the application in condition for allowance or in better condition for appeal. A petition for a one-month extension of time and authorization to charge Applicants' account the \$110.00 to cover the extension-of-time fee is included with this response.

Amendments begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7.